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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Robinson DATE TYPED 2/18/05 HB _____

SHORT TITLE Prisoners Maintaining Contact with Families SB 959

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APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY05	FY06	FY05	FY06		
	\$50.0			Non-recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Response Received From

Public Defender Department (PDD)

No Responses

New Mexico Corrections Department (NMCD)

Children, Youth and Families Department (CYFD)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 959 appropriates \$50 thousand from the general fund to the New Mexico Corrections Department for the purpose of assisting prisoners in the custody of correctional facilities to maintain contact with their children and families.

PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

PDD states establishing and keeping positive ties with family and community is critical in reducing recidivism.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$50 thousand contained in this bill is a nonrecurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2006 shall revert to the general fund.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

NMCD will be responsible for administration of programs for inmates to maintain contact with their children and families.

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